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NEW TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN KERALA
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telephone exchanges functioning in Kerala at present, district-wise;

(b) the number of exchanges under construction in the State, location-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to set up new telephone exchanges in the State particularly in Pathanamthitta and Alappuzha districts during 2001-2002; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, location-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) The number of telephone exchanges functioning as on 31.01.2001 in Kerala State, district-wise are given at Annexure-I.

(b) The number of exchanges under construction in the State are given at Annexure-II.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) 50 new telephone exchanges are proposed to be opened in Kerala State during 2001-2002. Seven number of exchanges are proposed to be opened in Alappuzha and Pathanamthitta districts (details given at Annexure-III).

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ANNEXURE-I

District	Number of Exchanges functioning at present
Alappuzha	49
Calicut	70
Malappuram	63
Wynad	25
Cannanore	83
Kasaragod	50
Ernakulam	96
Idukki	74
Kottayam	72
Palaghat	84
Pathanmthitta	55
Quilon	71
Trichur	66
Trivendrum	70
Total	928

ANNEXURE-II

District	Number of Exchanges under construction by March 2001

Alappuzha	1
Calicut	1
Malappuram	
Wynad	1
Cannanore	2
Kasaragod	
Ernakulam	3
Idukki	
Kottayam	3
Palghat	2
Pathanmthitta	2
Quilon	4
Trichur	4
Trivendrum	9
Total	32

Annexure-III

Name of Exchange	District	Type	Capacity
Mannanchery	Alappuzha	OCB RSU	1500
Venmoni	Alappuzha	5ESS RSM	2000
Cheriyanad	Alappuzha	E10 RLU	2000
Kartikapally	Alappuzha	C-DOT MAX-XL RSU	2000
Tiruvalla Unit II	Pathanamthitta	OCB	3000
Chengarur	Pathanamthitta	OCB RSU	2000
Pazhakulam	Pathanamthitta	MAX-XL RSU	1500